

COLRAIN ACID SPILL

LOCATION	North River, Colrain, MA
DATE OF INJURY	September 3, 1999
DATE OF SETTLEMENT	2003
NRD SETTLEMENT	\$30,000
RESPONSIBLE PARTY	Two trucking companies: Normand Simard Transport, Inc. and Somavrac, Inc.
TRUSTEES	EOEA
INJURY	Spill of approximately 700 gallons of sulfuric acid into the North River during delivery at the BBA Nonwovens facility.
INJURED RESOURCES	Various aquatic resources
INJURED SPECIES	Aquatic fish, amphibians, invertebrates, and plant species
PROTECTED SPECIES	N/A
RESTORATION STATUS	EOEA to develop a restoration plan
PROJECTS COMPLETED	N/A
EXPENDITURES TO DATE	N/A
ACRES RESTORED	N/A
ADDITIONAL WEBSITES	http://www.ago.state.ma.us/sp.cfm?pageid=986&id=1000

History

On September 3, 1999, a truck driver from Somavrac, Inc trucking company arrived at the BBA Nonwovens facility with a delivery of concentrated sulfuric acid. During delivery, acid was released to the pavement and flowed through a NPDES storm water gate valve along a drainage channel into the BBA tailrace. Approximately 670 gallons of sulfuric acid was released at an approximate weight of 10,000 lbs into the North River. MA DEP responded to oversee the implementation of an Immediate Response Action to neutralize the low pH conditions.

Site Map and Approximate Location of Riverine Impacts

